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FM AMCONSUL UDORN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7586

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

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FOR: DHA/ORM

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREF, LA

SUBJECT: INDOCHINA REFUGEE

REF: A. UDORN 4184 B. UDORN 4185 C. STATE 169072

D. STATE 172018

1. REF C IS INQUIRY AS TO WHY TCHO TCHOW WAS REFUSED "A" NUMBER FOR PAROLE INTO U.S.

2. FOLLOWING IS INS POLICY ON CAMP MARRIAGES:  
NO THAI OFFICIALS ARE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES TO REFUGEES. SINCE THE THAI GOVERNMENT DOES NOT RECOGNIZE "CAMP MARRIAGES", THOSE MARRIAGES ARE ILLEGAL FOR PURPOSES OF IMMIGRATION TO THE U.S.

3. FYI: IN THOSE CASES WHERE PARTIES TO CAMP MARRIAGES RECEIVE "A" NUMBERS, POST ARRANGES FOR THEM TO BE MARRIED LEGALLY ON AMEMBASSY GROUNDS BEFORE TRANSIT FOR CONUS.

4. SUBJECT REFUGEE WAS EVIDENTLY MARRIED TO VANG YING NHIA CHANG IN A CAMP CEREMONY. VANG YING NHIA CHANG THEN DEPARTED FOR CONUS WITHOUT LEGALIZING HIS MARRIAGE. INS REJECTED TCHO  
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ZLCHOW'S APPLICATION FOR U.S. PAROLE AS CAT I BASED ON ITS

POLICY REGARDING "ILLEGAL" MARRIAGES.

5. POST CANNOT VERIFY VANG YING NHIA CHANG'S CLAIM THAT HE INFORMED AN EMBASSY EMPLOYEE OF HIS MARRIAGE. HAD A REFUGEE OFFICER BEEN INFORMED, IT IS CERTAIN THAT POST WOULD HAVE ASSISTED SUBJECT AND SPOUSE IN LEGALIZING THEIR MARRIAGE ON AMEMBASSY GROUNDS.

6. CONGRESSMAN OBEY INTERESTED.  
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